

March 21, 2013

The Board of Public Works & Safety met at 4:00 pm on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Fuelling and Curtis attending. Others attending were Chief Beloit; Chief Dixon; Asst. St. Comm. Miller; Councilwoman Higgins; Aaron Burke – Bernardin Lochmueller & Associates; Ron Flick – Pyramid; Jane Williams; Sara Manifold – Mount Vernon Democrat; Lois Gray – Posey County News; and arriving during the meeting, Supt. Givens.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented. Board member Curtis moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented. Seconded by Mayor Tucker, who then asked if there were any questions ? There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker requested action on the claims presented.

Board member Fuelling moved the claims presented be allowed for payment. Seconded by Board member Curtis.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the reports of the Departments.

Chief Beloit stated he has a quote on a new Dodge Durango, and though he tried to get a quote on a Tahoe, no one ever got back with him. He added it is under \$25,000.00 but will also need a radio, lights, and a striping package and they received a \$1,500.00 credit on a previous trade in. He then stated this will be the Lieutenant's vehicle which will then put all ranking officers in the SUV's.

Board member Fuelling asked if it was a 2013 ?

Chief Beloit replied yet.

Supt. Givens arrived at the meeting.

Board member Fuelling moved they accept the quote of \$24,976.00 on the Dodge Durango and proceed with purchase. Seconded by Board member Curtis.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Chief Beloit continued his report by stating he letters of commendation for some of the officers, which he then handed to the Board. Being recognized for their efforts were Detective Rueger, Officer Brock, Officer Middleton, Officer Lemberg, and K9 Officer Dido.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none,

Chief Dixon stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Supt. Givens stated at the last meeting he discussed pump issues they were having at the E & S Housing lift station. He had reported that it would cost every bit of \$10,000 for a new drive, but after making some calls, he was able to get two pumps - \$4,871.00 each. He added though they only need the one for now, a back up is always a good idea. He stated he contacted the Mayor and the Board before making the purchase and added the total cost will be just a little over \$10,000.00.

Board member Curtis stated he would like to thank Supt. Givens for calling him on this issue.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Asst. St. Comm. Miller stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker questioned the west side storm water work.

Asst. St. Comm. Miller replied it is proceeding and he is getting with Dr. Frye on some things. He added they have not started to dig yet and they do not have the elevations.

Supt. Givens added they also televised that line.

Board member Fuelling thanked everyone for their promptness and information on all of these issues.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated they are ready for the Legal portion of the Agenda and added the first item is possible action on the packer truck quotes. He reminded Board these were presented at the last meeting with the lowest responsive bidder being Best Equipment, at a price of \$148,260.00.

Asst. St. Comm. Miller stated he has heard nothing from Attorney Higgins.

Board member Curtis at the last Council meeting, they gave authorization for Umbaugh to conduct a study on the city trash pick up operation. He added he believes Councilman Hoehn should have that information back for a meeting in May, and any action they potentially take now, could depend on that information. He therefore suggested they table any action on these quotes until they get the report back from Umbaugh.

Board member Fuelling agreed asked if the two packers they have are in good enough shape to wait awhile ?

Asst. St. Comm. Miller replied they can wait. It will take awhile to get the truck in anyway.

Board member Fuelling added they need to be cognizant of the fact that they need to handle the truck they have with care right now, but he agrees that they need to wait until they get the information back from the study.

Mayor Tucker stated the next item is the Dedication of Private Access Easement for Fairview Park residents. He then stated this effects the south side of Sherman Street. Folks are wanting access to garages, sheds, etc. on their property and to do that, they need to utilize part of the park. About a year ago, the then Park Supt. was wanting to get rid of the park and they had mentioned possibly selling it. When the new Park Supt. came on board, he decided he wasn't sure they wanted to get rid of it after all. He then stated the Park Board has signed off on this easement and they will be giving 15' on the north boundary of the park for this, with some stipulations, as outlined in the easement itself.

Board member Fuelling stated he would be concerned with all of the traffic possibly on the grass it could be worn away and turned to mud.

Mr. Williams, a resident of Sherman Street who is wanting access to a garage on his property via this easement, replied he will only be accessing his garage this way maybe once a week. He added also that over the years, he has maintained a lot of that park area between his house and Fairview Drive.

Board member Curtis stated he wants Mr. Williams to be aware that if this Board grants this easement and then gets complaints, it could be taken back in 30 days.

The Williams' replied that they are aware of that and they are very particular about how they keep their home, they will take care of the area.

Board member Curtis moved the Dedication of Private Easement be approved. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker state Aaron Burke is in the Audience.

Mr. Burke stated he has a final Change Order for the Long Term Control Project in the amount of \$26,583.27, for things that came up the last 90 days of the project. He added this brings the total of this project to \$11,567,932.41, with a 7% contingency.

Board member Fuelling questioned training ? He then stated he realizes help is there, but can they/do they need to go to other municipalities that have systems like this to get help?

Mr. Burke replied the equipment is different for all as it is custom fit to the city's plant.

The Williams' left the meeting.

Mr. Burke stated the best way to "train" right now is to just play with it and work out some of the bugs that way. He then stated the one year clock on warranties, where contractors are concerned, isn't really addressed unless issues are submitted to them in writing.

Supt. Givens stated he will write down any issues and pass them along to Kieffer.

Board member Curtis asked if Supt. Givens can still contact Mr. Burke ?

Mr. Burke replied yes and added he also prefers contact in writing – easier to remember that way.

Board member Curtis stated he agreed with always wanting to report things.

Mr. Burke stated in order to protect oneself, right it down, there is a process.

Board member Curtis moved the Board accept Change Order #8. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Burke stated he also has with him today a substantial completion document on the digester blowers – they are done and they will be training tomorrow.

Mayor Tucker then signed the document.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business ?

Board member Curtis stated for some time the Police and Fire Station Committee has been meeting and they have found a building. The Black Township Trustee had helped with the funding and they have voted to proceed. He stated the current facility is sub standard and the committee wanted local contractors to be able to bid on the work, so they have divided the work into 15-20 bid packages. The facility is the old Dausmann Motors Building. There will have to be an addition for the truck bays, but the building will be divided in half for the police department and half for the fire department. He stated the current estimate for the renovation is \$1 – \$1.2M, with \$400,000.00 coming from the Black Township Trustee. He added they will not have a solid figure of course until the bids come in, but they city will need to look at raising \$700,000 - \$800,000.00.

Ron Flick, the pro bono architect on the project, presented a floor plan to the Board of the first floor, and the second floor. He stated they will be using as many of the existing walls that they can to keep the cost down.

Board member Curtis stated from the beginning both Chiefs wanted to be involved in the layout/design.

At the beginning of this, about six years ago, the estimate they received was \$ 3M, and now it is \$1.2M or

less. He stated another bonus is that they are taking an empty building and utilizing it. It is a good location as well. He very much appreciates the efforts of Mr. Flick and Mr. Burnworth of Pyramid – putting in a lot of work, and not getting paid for it. He stated for financing they are going to have to look at donations, EDIT, and borrowing. Councilwoman Higgins is even working on their first fundraiser. Board member Fuelling asked if Pyramid has looked at standard prices for the estimate ?

Mr. Flick replied yes.

Board member Fuelling asked if it will be a problem breaking the project down in to so many different bid packages ?

Mr. Flick replied no, it is normally cheaper on the city to do it that way and it is good for local participation.

Board member Fuelling moved the bid packages be prepared. Seconded by Board member Curtis.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Flick left the meeting.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any New Business ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated if there was no further business, he entertains a motion to adjourn.

Board member Fuelling moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Board member Curtis.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

John Tucker
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cristi L. Sitzman
Clerk-Treasurer